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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

Tsukasa Yajima

Group Art Unit: 2814

Serial No.: 09/768,271

Examiner: A. Mai

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING PROTECTIVE LAYER ON FIELD OXIDE

LETTER SUBMITTING DRAWING FIGURE

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Due Date: October 31, 2002

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's approval and entry of proposed Fig. 1(i) attached herewith in connection with the above identified application. Support for proposed Fig. 1(i) can be found on page 13, lines 12-17 of the application.

Formal Fig. 1(i) will be prepared and filed upon approval and entry thereof by the Examiner, and subsequent indication of allowance of the present application.

In the event that there are any outstanding matters remaining in the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact Andrew J. Telesz, Jr. (Reg. No. 33,581) at (703) 715-0870 in the Washington, D.C. area, to discuss these matters.

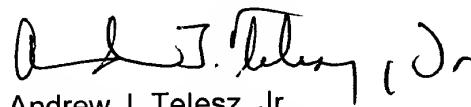
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0238 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Proposed Fig. 1(i)